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SUBJ: ANAND'S DEATH MAY HAVE BEEN SUICIDE RATHER
THAN MURDER

REF: NEW DELHI 8066

1. BASED UPON INVESTIGATIONS CONDUCTED BY THE
CRIME BRANCH, DELHI'S INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE TOLD
NEWSMEN JUNE 7 THAT "ALL AVAILABLE INDICATIONS" SUG-
GESTED THAT LT COL ANAND, SANJAY GANDHI'S FATHER-IN-LAW,
DIED AS A RESULT OF SUICIDE AND THAT THE POLICE HAD NO
EVIDENCE WHICH SUGGESTED MURDER. HE SAID THAT EVIDENCE
POINTING TO SUICIDE INCLUDED THE POSITION OF THE BODY,
THE ABSENCE OF ANY OTHER MARKS ON THE BODY AND THE FACT
THAT ANAND WAS REPORTED TO BE IN A DEPRESSED STATE OF
MIND WHEN LAST SEEN ALIVE. POLICE FOUND A NOTE IN HIS
POCKET WHICH READ: "SANJAY WORRY IS NOT BEARABLE."
FAMILY MEMBERS TOLD POLICE THAT THE NOTE WAS WRITTEN
IN ANAND'S HANDWRITING, WHICH FURTHER INDICATED TO THE
INVESTIGATORS THAT SUICIDE RATHER THAN MURDER HAD
BEEN INVOLVED.

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2. THE POLICE HAVE ARRESTED ANAND'S DRIVER ON THE
GROUNDS THAT ANOTHER SERVANT SAW HIM PICK UP AND POCKET
AN OBJECT RESEMBLING A REVOLVER WHICH WAS LYING ON THE
GROUND WHEN ANAND'S BODY WAS FOUND. POLICE ARE
INTERROGATING THE DRIVER, BUT AS YET HAVE NOT FOUND
THE WEAPON.

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